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## The Doctor Makes Housecalls

One day last Fall, Dr. Marcus Peter Porcelli wandered into St. Patrick's Pro-cathedral in downtown Newark intending to pay a peaceful visit to the Lord and admire the beautiful chapel he found there. What he found also was one of Sister Ann Tumulty's flyers asking for nurses and other medical help for the elderly in our Home Health Care Program.

Interest piqued, Dr. Marcus (as he is called) got in touch with Sister Ann, the Public Health Nurse Supervisor at the program, and offered his help. "I had always wanted to do some work like that," he said quietly. The doctor is presently an internist at St. Peter's Hospital in New Brunswick.

Beginning in January, each Friday he came up from his home in Somerset and visited the people Sister Ann had listed whom she knew could benefit from his presence. The Home Health Aides clued him in to the problems as he made his rounds.

Many times the persons needed reassurance that they were okay. He would talk to them and make recommendations, since most were medical problems. In many cases they had no

permanent physician, thus when they were hospitalized for some medical reason and sent home with medications and instructions, there was no follow up once they were discharged from the hospital. They hadn't seen a doctor to renew medications for instance.

Doctor Marcus' visit helped bridge a gap, helped get them started into the health care system again.

Marcia Hines, a licensed practical nurse, was with us as we went to visit Ms. Sarah Gregory at New Community Associates, and ran down her history with the doctor. She explained that nurses such as she follow up on a steady basis with their clients, assisting with medical treatment, such as changing bandages, etc. Many elderly are diabetics and must be sure to take medication as prescribed. Often they also have high blood pressure or other illnesses and keeping track of the multiple medications is a problem for them, since memories are not reliable in many of the older clients. This is where our Home Health Care Program can be a Godsend, allowing the people to remain at home yet have medical



Dr. Marcus pays a visit to Ms. Sarah Gregory as Marcia Hines, L.P.N. looks on. Regular visits from Home Health Care personnel help elderly residents to remain at home.

supervision.

And a doctor who visits the elderly right in their own homes to keep them as well as possible is almost unheard of today.

In July, Dr. Marcus will have to move on. He will be going for further studies at Cabrini Hospital in New

York City. We cannot adequately express our thanks for the services he has provided while here, but those whom he has touched will never forget what he did for them.

Perhaps with luck, another doctor will read of our need somehow, and volunteer to help.

## A Family Forms At Babyland IV

Babyland IV parents have gathered together many times since our Center opened in late February. Sister Suzanne Janis, Social Service Coordinator gave each parent an interest survey to determine each one's concerns and particular interests. As a result, various workshops were offered in trying to meet the parents' needs.

A workshop on parenting skills by Sister Pat Wermann, O.P. provided parents with a better understanding of a child's developmental process as well as techniques for discipline.

Ms. Madge Wilson spoke to our parents on housing, imparting worthwhile information about New Community and alternative housing in Newark.

Dr. Anita Lewis spoke to our parents on Self-Esteem and How to Handle Stress.

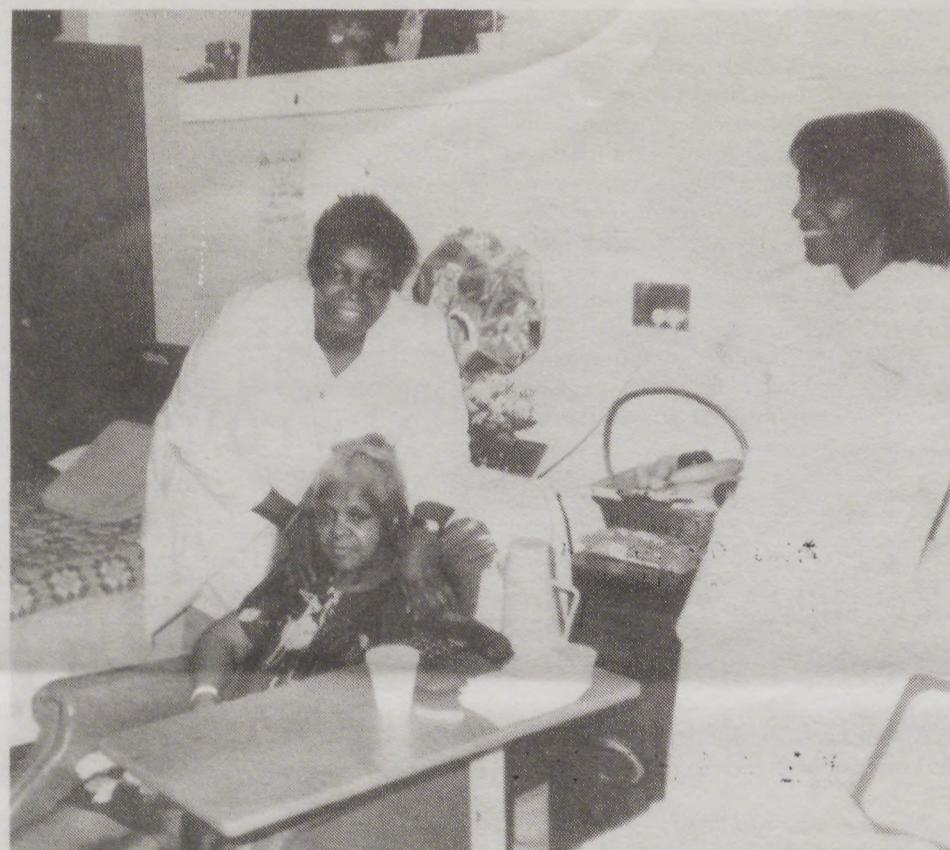
Other topics presented by various speakers included Nutrition and Family Relationships.

Knowing the importance of having fun together the parents, staff, and children all enjoyed a wonderful trip to the Turtle Back Zoo. The children especially enjoyed the treat of seeing the animals and being outside on a beautiful sunny day.

A highlight for the parents was a retreat day down at the shore at St. Catherine's in Spring Lake. Sister Alice Uhl, O.P. led the day and affirmed the parents in their loving care for their children. She emphasized the importance of their taking time out for themselves and encouraged them to enjoy the beauty of the day.

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## A Gift Of The Heart



Ms. Mary Gibson, R.N., helps resident get comfortable as Nursing Aide Phyllis Humphrey watches.

An Extended Care Facility is a pivotal place to celebrate **Older American's Month** and New Community's brand new facility joined in wholeheartedly.

People from each of the three units (floors) got together and decided to plan an **Adopt a Resident** program to show their regard for the dignity of the residents in their care, said Ms. Mary Gibson, nurse in charge of the third floor. They felt it would be good for the residents to know someone cared about them, she explained.

Nurses, housekeeping staff, dietary and administration took part in the novel venture. Some people from outside offices even joined in — all this on a voluntary basis. More than 60 people took part.

Everyone was to get a "little" gift for the person adopted. A little bit of Sherlock Holmes must have come into play to find out who needed what.

The results were amazing! Gifts ranged from a clock to dresses, sweaters, shoes, socks, pocketbooks, and even wigs!



Nursing Aid Sheri Adedimeji gives her adopted resident Mildred Logan a big hug.

(More photos on page 3)

## Monsignor Linder A Busy Speaker

The success New Community has experienced in helping those in need over the past twenty years has made Monsignor William J. Linder a much sought after speaker these days on the subjects of homelessness and community development.

### Homelessness

April 14, 1989 found him attending a **Conference on Homelessness** at Seton Hall University in South Orange, New Jersey, attended by religious leaders, politicians and "homeless" advocates. The overall challenge was discussion of creative responses to the problem of homelessness.

Representative James Florio, attending the conference, cited NCC Harmony House our joint venture with Hartz Mountain Industries which will provide a new start for 102 homeless families upon its completion this year, as a prime example of public/private partnership.

### Community Development

April 16-19, 1989 Monsignor Linder presented a workshop on a **Model for Community Development** at the National Black Catholic Congress in Tampa, Florida. Monsignor's workshop included a case study of a comprehensive community development program and the role of St. Rose of Lima Parish in the New Community Network.

### Neighborhood Development And Parish

At a symposium, May 10-12, 1989 on "Options for Inner-City Parishes" held in the Lord Baltimore Radisson



**Msgr. Wm. J. Linder**

Plaza in the Inner Harbor Area of Baltimore, Maryland, Monsignor addressed **Neighborhood Development and the Parish** — the value of parishes getting involved in housing and development efforts.

The symposium was sponsored by the National Pastoral Life Center in collaboration with Lilly Endowment, Inc. and the Conservation Company of Philadelphia.

St. Rose Parish was included in the NPLC research as an illustrative case in the category of Parish Strategies.

Housing requires the effort of all facets of society and it is good to see the efforts of New Community put forth to help others begin their work.

feels it was worth it.

The proud recipient of an MBA from Seton Hall University, he juggled marriage, a new home and a brand new baby during his five years of nighttime studies, leaving for classes after a day's work.

Jim's MBA concentration was Management Information Systems, which included a broad scope of study: accounting, economics, computers, law, finance, marketing and management. He feels this concentration will help him in his position at New Community by providing specific skills and information as well as general exposure and a general foundation toward effective administration.

Jim's wife, Debbie, is on maternity leave from New Community's Social Services Department where the two



### Monsignor Wm. Linder Scholarship Fund

A scholarship fund has been set up in honor of Monsignor Wm. J. Linder, Ph.D.

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## New Jersey PRIDE Award To Mary Smith

New Community and Babyland are very proud of Mrs. Mary Smith who was honored recently at the New Jersey PRIDE Awards Dinner. Her work as Babyland's founder and since 1973 its executive director gained her the Social Services Award for 1989.

Proceeds from this year's dinner, sponsored by New Jersey Monthly to promote and publicize pride in New Jersey, went to the New Jersey Special Olympics, and amounted to nearly \$250,000.

The New Jersey PRIDE Award recipients are nominated by the people of New Jersey and chosen by a panel of judges who are prominent participants in New Jersey Civic affairs.

Most who read our newspaper, **The Clarion**, are familiar with Mary's face in her capacity as executive director of Babyland or treasurer of New Community Corporation board of trustees. Many are not aware however that she grew up a fatherless girl in Newark where she saw many low-income women taken advantage of by their husbands.

It was the knowledge that steady, affordable day-care would allow them to be self-supporting and in control of their own lives, which drove her to open the first Babyland in an apartment at Scudder Homes, a city housing project.

Mary also realized that education was an invaluable tool for helping others, and at age 30 returned to complete requirements for her high school degree and went on to earn



**Mrs. Mary Smith and friend**

both a bachelor's degree from Rutgers University and a master's in education from Kean College.

Babyland today cares for 350 children in four Newark locations and has been able to help hundreds of mothers and their children to a better life and a say in their own destinies.

Congratulations, Mary, on your perseverance and caring heart.

### Congresswoman Roukema Expresses Regrets

Congresswoman Marge Roukema missed the Pathmark Supermarket groundbreaking on May 1st and in a letter to Monsignor William Linder wrote to explain that she had been in an automobile accident and was suffering the repercussions.

She went on to talk about our work with housing stating, "housing is certainly an issue that is near and dear to my heart — one that is the core of the American family. New Community is a fine example and a leader in the nation of a plausible and innovative solution to the many existing housing problems facing our family structure today. You are to be highly commended for your work."

The Congresswoman expressed her regret that she could not be with us on May 1st.

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# Employees Show Elderly Nursing Home Residents Their Caring Hearts...

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Residents of New Community Extended Care Facility celebrate with their nurses and caregivers as Adopt A Resident program warms hearts of all. Dining rooms were especially decorated for the occasion.

## A Family Forms...

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The parents loved walking the boardwalk and did enjoy the peacefulness of the surroundings. One parent commented in prayer on God's goodness and blessings to her. She relies heavily on God's support in her life.

The parent gatherings have enabled them to form a deeper bonding with one another. From their shar-

ings and openness with each other a mutual support has developed. The parents feel most welcome and comfortable when they come to Babyland IV. We are hoping to continue the development of this warm family spirit.

The parents often express their gratefulness to Babyland for all the services offered to both them and their children.



## NCC King And Queen For 1989



King Arthur Lipscomb and Queen Phyllis Burton make their election official by posing for picture. The two are both residents of NC Associates.

## Mrs. Watson With Her "Baby"



Ms. Ellen Watson was a staunch supporter of the NCC/Pathmark Supermarket and was thrilled when ground was broken last month. "Today God has blessed me to let me see what I pleaded for in court so many times. All 5 years we have run back and forth to court have paid off," she continued. Gov. Kean's promise to see that it was built was also kept. (Photo courtesy The Star Ledger)

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## Let Us Run The Race That Is Set Before Us

The concept of 'race' has several connotations, but the one we are here concerned with refers to the 'course of life.' The course of life is not without problems, and what matters to one is not so much the magnitude of the problem as how one reacts to it. When a problem occurs, there is a tendency to react emotionally and to worry, thereby sapping energy and stifling progress. The opiate of emotional reaction serves as a repressant to thinking and the mind is allowed to become shackled by self-pity, a sense of inadequacy, futility, hopelessness, and despair, so that what one might have attained is prevented by the way the mind is hampered.

But, when the mind is conditioned, influenced by and subjected to spiritual thinking, the mind is set free, life is solvent, and problems are dissolvable. When we face our problems, which are inherent in the structure of life, we are made strong.

The history of the world abounds with names of men and women who have had distressful problems, yet persevered in spite of them — some performing better than before.

Moses ran the race that was set before him. At a burning bush in a desert near Mt. Horeb, Moses was asked to free the enslaved Israelites from Egypt, but feeling himself incompetent and first refusing, later relented and consented to undertake the task that the Lord had set before him, and led the Hebrews to freedom.

Harriet Tubman, sometimes called the Black Moses, too ran the race that was set before her. Feeling that the Lord had called her to spirit away slaves from the South to the North and freedom, a very dangerous undertaking, she did so and freed hundreds of slaves.

Saint Paul also ran the race that was set before him. At one time Saul of Tarsus, later named Paul, saw in the Christian movement a great danger to all that he had considered most sacred in Judaism, and found satisfaction in hunting out Christians to be harmed. On one of his journeys, near Damascus, he was struck down, blinded, and lay in a stupor, but the Lord had a mission for this persecutor and had his sight restored. Said the Lord, (Acts 9:15), "Saul is a chosen vessel of Mine to bear My name

before Gentiles, Kings, and the children of Israel. I will show him how many things he must suffer for My name's sake." Saul of Tarsus, arch enemy of the Christians, became Saint Paul, the greatest of Christian missionaries, the disciple to the Gentiles, founder of churches throughout the Roman world, servant of the Lord.

Don't bemoan what you do not have, but count your blessings and, to the best of your ability, use what you do have.

Many years ago there was a man named Stradivari whose greatest desire was to become an accomplished violinist, however he did not have the talents to accomplish his dream. Instead, he began to make violins, and made the best violins in the world. Fulfillment in life sometimes comes from facing life as it is, and resolutely moving forward. Maybe we can't do as much as somebody else can, but we sure can do what we can. And, maybe, we should stop trying to be 'the best' and start trying to be 'our best' — the best that we can become.

Douglas Mallock, the poet expressed it this way:

"If you can't be a pine on the top of the hill  
Be a scrub in the valley — but be  
The best little scrub by the side of  
the trail,  
Be a bush if you can't be a tree  
If you can't be a highway, just be a  
trail  
If you can't be the sun, be a star;  
It isn't the size, that you win or fail

— Be the best of whatever you are."

The course of our lives may be fraught with sorrow, adversity, misfortune, grief, and pain; and there may be constant struggle, trouble, tension, and burdens to bear; but nevertheless we must run our race that is set before us embracing the heavenly love of God and fellow man, and the moral values which enfold all of us in a warm placenta of compassion.

"Let us run the race that is set before us...looking unto Jesus...who for that race set before Him endured the Cross," (Hebrews 12:1-2)

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## She Creates Beautiful Surroundings



Denise Baker, Activities Assistant, stands in front of bulletin board which she keeps gaily decorated for residents of Extended Care. She also decorated the dining room on the third floor. Each floor has such as person assigned to it.

# Older American Month Was Fun!

## Remember When Day

May 10th was designated as "Remember When Day" for the Seniors of New Community. It was a special fun-filled day with room for plenty of nostalgia.

NC Gardens Seniors went all out to make their journey down memory lane a smooth one. Their day started with coffee and danish for all and a light lunch served to the older residents by the steadier hands of the younger ones. And to wrap the day up there were oldies but goodie songs on the old Victrola and a scrumptious meal served up which the junior residents had proudly prepared.

The old pushcart was wheeled out at NC Roseville and NC Manor as they relived the days of the 35¢ hot dogs and penny candy. There were sounds of music of the fifties, games of penny chance and everyone trying to outdo the other with tall tales from the past.

It was a lot of fun to remember the old days and to see how far we've come into the now days. Our past is our beginning no matter how good or how bad. There is nothing like the good old days.

Joyce Cook



Prize winners Mary Edwards, Edna Davis and Mary Bell (L to R) happily receive prizes won from Sr. Anastasia.

## Seniors At Gardens Celebrate

Residents of Gardens Seniors, 265 Morris Avenue observed May, Older American Month, on the tenth by celebrating from sunrise to sunset.

"N.C.C. Senior Power" was proclaimed along the halls and in the community room by signs and balloons.

All of this was coordinated by Edna Gillians who does beautiful work.

Every resident was invited to enjoy Continental Breakfast in the Community room. Later, lunch was

served.

Dinner was the highlight of the day's festivities; a full course meal was prepared and served by the "junior" residents for their beloved "seniors". No detail was forgotten. Even those restricted to their apartments because of illness were not left out. The party came to them courtesy of enthusiastic room service providers.

These juniors and seniors really know how to go first class! An unforgettable time was had by all, and the revellers promised themselves an encore! However, life is too short to wait until next year's Older American's Month celebration.

There is enough caring and sharing in Gardens Seniors to provide good times all year long.



The team that made it possible: Helen Martin, Doris Breece, Carol Former, Leon Sanders, Grace Morgan, Juanita White and Ruby Ray.



Volunteers of the Year: Mr. Jerome LaSure, left, and Mr. William Green.



Senior Celebration At Gardens Seniors

## Black History Notes

**Piankhi (Pe-an-ke) - Black Pharaoh of Egypt (735 B.C. - 713 B.C.)**

Researched By James E. DuBose

The dream of African rulers recapturing Upper Egypt once again from Asian control may have appeared to be a formidable task. However, King Piankhi of Ethiopia turned that dream into reality during his reign from 753 B.C. to 713 B.C.

Piankhi, also known as Piye, was a Kushite or Ethiopian who succeeded in unifying Nubia, Meroe, Kush, and Egypt under one empire. The Nubian Conquest of Egypt is documented on a obelisk (five feet, ten inches high, six feet wide and sixteen inches thick), which was erected in the temple of Amon by Piankhi. He was the son of Prince Kashat, whom he succeeded. Piankhi regarded himself as king of Kush and Egypt. According to the Egyptian king's list, Piankhi was the third Kushite ruler of the Twenty-fifth Dynasty of Egypt.

The Twenty-fifth Dynasty holds significance for Black people for several reasons. First of all, it is the only dynasty that European historians and writers officially recognize as being African. Additionally, this period was the last effort on behalf of Black to control Egypt. As such, rarely after this period was ancient Egypt ruled by Egyptian rulers.

The situation in Egypt just prior to Piankhi's ascending the throne and reaching his objective of unifying Egypt, has been aptly compared to that of King Menes of the Archaic Dynasty, well over two thousand years prior. Both King Tefnakhte and Bocchoris, who were of Asian descent, had taken control of the Capital City of Thebes and virtually controlled most of the Thebaid (Upper Egypt)

region.

Piankhi ascended the Egyptian throne but prior to that he began his royal career as King of Nubia. Each year he regretfully watched as his country paid its annual tribute to Egypt in the form of gold, cattle, soldiers, and other riches. Piankhi decided to end the economic pillage and subjugation of Nubia by the Egyptian rulers of Asian extraction and consequently conquered Egypt. Piankhi died in 713 B.C. and was buried in a pyramid on the East bank of the Nile River near the present-day town of Marawi. It is believed that he was buried in a tomb which contained fifteen of his ancestors.

Menes (Mens) or Aha (3100 B.C.-3038 B.C.) mentioned previously in this article was the first Pharaoh of the united kingdom of Upper and Lower Egypt. According to the Palarimo Stone (an important source of historical information for the first four Egyptian Dynasties), the African King Menes decisively defeated the Asian invaders and went on to unite Egypt in approximately 3100 B.C.

After defeating the northern kingdom, Menes referred to himself as "King of Upper and Lower Egypt," a title that was retained by succeeding pharaohs for thousands of years. Menes' rule began Dynasty I which consisted of five kings and is one of the three dynasties that make up the Early Dynastic Period which flourished from about 3100 B.C. to 2613 B.C.

Since Egypt was one of the greatest civilizations of all time, it is quite possible that both time and history will render Menes the most influential ruler in the history of mankind.

## Getting Ready for The Groundbreaking



Getting ready to perform at the supermarket groundbreaking are St. Rose Choir members (L to R) Frances Smith, Lisa Baldwin, Lissette Maysonet, Melissa Pierre, Quadriyyah Hill and Doris Fadoju.

## Workshop On AIDS

A scientifically accurate presentation of the meaning of AIDS and HIV viruses was given at St. Rose School on May 18, 1989. The three presenters were Ed Szmtkowski, AIDS Coordinator at United Hospital; Myriam Hernandez, pediatric nurse for children with AIDS at United Hospital; and Sister Suzanne Janis, social services coordinator at Babyland IV.

The program was designed for parents and children, grades 5 to 8. Each presenter explained and clarified issues and myths regarding AIDS. They stated the frightening statistic that one out of every twenty-two babies in Newark is born with

the AIDS infection. Either the mother or her partner has the disease which they contracted through intravenous drug injections.

Parents and children learned the facts. There are three known ways of contracting the AIDS disease - 1) sexual contact with an infected person, 2) organ/tissue transplant or blood transfusion of an infected person, 3) through infected mother to child during pregnancy. Casual contact - shaking hands, hugging, using same swimming pool, eating at same table, etc. will not transmit the virus.

The presenters promised to return to speak to those parents and children who were unable to attend.

## St. Rose Basketball Team Awards



Basketball team members (L to R) Tracie Sims, Chris Waters, Henry Watson, Yusef Williams, Dale Ellis, Kioni West and Kaseem Fuller proudly display their trophies.

The completion of the 1988-1989 Basketball season was celebrated recently by about 50 students and parents attending a dinner and award ceremony held in honor of the St. Rose of Lima Basketball Team and Cheerleaders.

The afternoon began with a delicious buffet prepared by Brenda Waters, Pat Hammond, and Peggy Fulton. There was so much good food that people were going back for seconds and thirds!

Next came our guest speaker who was someone really special. A former member of the Harlem Globetrotters, Leonard Williams, spoke to the team not just about basketball but how attitudes necessary for the game should also be applied to life off the court. Stressing hard work and determination, he made everyone appreciate their accomplishments over the season even more.

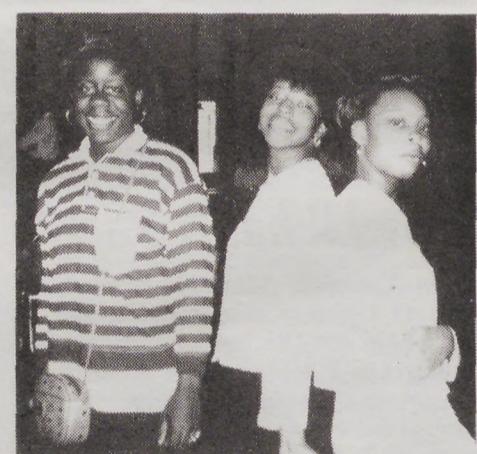
Being only the second year of basketball at St. Rose's, the team succeeded against great odds. They seemed to find inspiration through the dedication of their coaches, Joe Waters and Gbar Malachi. These two men unfailingly gave their time and energies throughout the season and are to be commended for their efforts.

The high point of the day came with the award ceremony. Coach Waters and Mr. Williams presented trophies and plaques to all team members and cheerleaders. Special M.V.P. honors went to Henry Watson and Tracie Simms.

Picture taking by proud parents completed the celebration for this



Most Valuable Player Awards went to Henry Watson (left) and Tracie Sims who shared the spotlight with Coach Joe Waters.



Frances Smith-Cheerleader, Jewell Gillette - Basketball player and Nadira Brown-Cheerleader, get into the act.

year. We know our next season will be even better!

Dan Fabrizio

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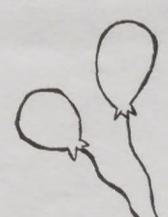
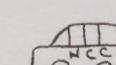
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## Behind The Shelter Door

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Mrs. C. received help from our trained staff at Essex County Family Violence program and the staff is happy to say that Mrs. C. was

relocated out of state sixteen months ago. We received a post card a few days ago that made everyone feel great. Mrs. C. is working and taking a few courses at night. She thanked us for our help and our caring and stated that she never realized that help was just a phone call away.

Epilogue: Mrs. C. was one of the lucky ones that got away; but think of the countless others that don't realize that help is just a phone call away. If you have a friend that is being abused or you are being abused, please reach out for help; don't forget the number: **484-4446**.

Sennet Cason  
Caregiver/Family Violence Shelter

## Victimization Process Discussed

On Sunday April 30, 1989, Pat Davidson a therapist at the Peace Center for suburban battered women at Caldwell College gave a presentation on Domestic Violence at the Annual Convention of the New York Chapter of the American Association of University Women in Syracuse, NY. Pat co-presented with Bea Mac Donald who was in charge of the volunteers at the Peace Center. Bea focused on the role of the volunteer in Shelters and counseling centers. Pat stressed the need for professional counselors to deal with the emotional problems of women seeking help for domestic violence.

The issue of domestic violence is very complex. While it is necessary to deal with the immediate crisis at hand, professional intervention is needed to prevent a woman from continuing to be a victim.

As we learn more and more about

domestic violence we are beginning to recognize other issues which impinge upon the process of victimization. While some women come from homes where their mothers were abused, others come from homes where there were alcohol or drug abuse problems. Still others were molested as children. The process of victimization often began long before the women were physically or psychologically abused by mates.

Victimization is a slow process; recovery from it is also slow. As a result, it is necessary to provide victims with professional counselors who are trained to deal with the emotional scars of being victimized by those who purport to love them.

The PEACE Center at Caldwell College is always willing to help. Call 226-6166.

Pat Davidson  
MA, EDS

## We Are Most Grateful

Thank You...for volunteering your time and talent at Babyland IV,...for painting the Center,...for donating the insulation,...for creating the murals,...for gathering toys and clothes,...for sending food and diapers,...for giving us supplies,...for raising money for us,...for taking care of the children,...for gifting us with your presence,...for caring about us...for being you!

We are most grateful to the many,

With the encouragement of Sister Grace Angelica from Our Lady of Peach parish in New Providence, New Jersey, women from the parish come to the Center each week to assist the caregivers with the children and to provide any other necessary services.

College students from Rutgers University, New Jersey Institute of Technology and Seton Hall University also provide service to our children



Maryann Santo is one of many regular and valued volunteers at Babyland IV.

at various times during the week. There are other men and women volunteers who have heard about the Center through their parishes and through newspaper articles. They willingly offer their time as well.

Communication about the Center also continues to shower us with financial support that is so desperately needed. Together with the help of our friends, Babyland IV functions on a daily basis with a joyful and life-giving environment. We are most grateful to each person who helps to create this atmosphere.

May God bless you abundantly!

many people who have "reached out and touched" our lives at Babyland IV. Their continuous love and support enables us to provide quality care to our children.

The volunteers are exceptional people from various walks of life who joyfully give of themselves.

The Junior League Women of Montclair/Newark are a group of women who volunteer their time to a worthy cause. This year they chose to direct their efforts towards the opening of Babyland IV. They provided various services to the Center and will continue to do so in the future.

## What Nature Brings

During our daily walk in Tot Park, the children in Babyland II found a weathered tree branch on the ground. We brought it back and painted it with bright colors. The colors made the branch so pretty that we decided to call it the BIRTHDAY TREE.

Paper leaves were cut out and printed with the children's birthdates and names and attached to the BIRTHDAY TREE.

Sylvia Parker  
Caregiver  
Babyland II



Admiring their new Birthday Tree are Christopher Miller, Aysa Banks, Judy Holland, Nabihah Ali and caregiver Sylvia Parker.

## Babyland Summer Enrichment Program Coming

The Summer of 1989 is almost here and Babyland's Summer Enrichment Program is ready for you!

Beginning June 26 and running until September 1, we offer a day camp for children between ages 5 and 12.

Although located at St. Rose of Lima School in Newark, we try to spend as much time outdoors as possible. Ball games in the Park, hiking nature trails, and swimming in beautiful lakes help everyone get into shape while enjoying some time away from the city. Other parts of our program include computers, YWCA swimming lessons, barbeques, music, arts and crafts, health spa, table games, cultural events and much

more.

Though the activities are fun, they also develop social skills, coordination and physical fitness. Our staff has been together for four years and is dedicated in its efforts to foster self-confidence and respect for others during days at camp.

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1. St. Rose of Lima School	481-5582
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Space is limited, so register now!  
Dan Fabrizio Kathy Neal

## Babyland Teen Of The Month

My name is Theresa Syder and I would like to describe what being a teen mother is like from my point of view. First I would like to say that when someone says that becoming a mother is a dead end, they are dead wrong. I am a teen mother of two, Christopher age 2 and Jacqueline, age 4 months, and I don't regret one thing about it. In fact I am proud of myself and my two children. Second I'd like to say that there is help



Theresa Syder and daughter Jacqueline.

available to those who need it. I am involved in a wonderful program

named Babyland. They are a great bunch of people who care what happens to teen mothers. Whenever I have a problem and I don't know who to turn to I go to my friends at Babyland. They are always there and they try to understand.

So you see being a teen mother is not as hopeless as everyone thinks. I have always had a strong belief that whatever in this whole world you want to be, do, or have, can be yours if you want it bad enough, and try hard enough.

Editor's Note:

Theresa's plans for the future include service in the U.S. Army after she completes her senior year at Westside High. She would then use the G.I. Bill for Medical School. She would like to follow a pediatric specialty.

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# Security Corner

## NCC Security's Fifth Annual Awards Ceremony Held

On Thursday, May 11, 1989, the New Community Corporation celebrated its Fifth Annual Awards Ceremony for twenty-five of its Security Officers. The affair, held in the Community room of the Extended Care Facility, 266 South Orange Avenue, started at 2:00 P.M.

The theme for this year's celebration was "We have the right stuff—Pride."

Mrs. Cecilia Faulks, Director of Human Resources and the Mistress of Ceremonies, opened the program with a request that everyone rise for the presentation of colors. The color presentation consisted of the American Flag, carried by Dwayne Tucker and the Black American Heritage Flag, carried by Scott Dixon, both students of St. Rose of Lima Grammar School in Newark. They were followed by the N.C.C. Security Honor Guard composed of Security officers Lawrence Thompson, Lorne Ragin and Samuel Bell, led by Allan Murray, Commander, followed by the Honorees.

After soul stirring renditions of "The Star Spangled Banner" and "Lift Every Voice and Sing", (the Negro National Anthem) by Mrs. Emily Ross, a teacher at St. Rose of Lima Grammar School. Sister Consuella of the Extended Care Facility followed with the Invocation.

The guest speaker, Newark Police Director Claude Coleman, spoke following the acknowledgement of an impressive array of Police brass throughout the law enforcement community. Heading the list was Essex County Sheriff, Thomas D'Allesio, Chief Golba of the Newark Police Department, Charles Knox, Director of the Essex County Sheriff's Department Bureau of Narcotics and North District Commander, Captain Stephan Patella, and others. Police Director Coleman in his speech encouraged the honorees to keep their commitment to protecting the public safety, despite the attractions of higher-paying jobs in other professions.

The awards were presented in seven categories by the Director of Security, James E. DuBose and the Assistant Director Errol Adams.

Medals of Honor went to Sergeant Bernard Russell and Security Officers Eleanor Scott and Marlon Anderson, S/O Anderson was also named "Officer of the Year", for which he was presented a trophy from Katzin's Uniform Company of Newark. He received honors for Meritorious Ser-



Security Director James DuBose presents trophy to Officer of the Year Marion Anderson. (Photo courtesy of the Star Ledger.)

vice, Honorable Service and Good Conduct (Officer of the Month). Medals of Honor were also presented to Security Officers Roger Sanders and William Brown.

Meritorious Service Awards were earned by Sergeants John Jackson, James Hubbard, Bernard Russell and Security Officer Darryl Williams.

Honorable Service awards were given to Sergeants Matthew Richardson and John Jackson, Security Officers Courtland Williams, Robert Booker and Gerald Petiford.

Good Conduct recognition went to Security Officers Betty Bowe, Elizabeth Griffith, Barbara Johnson, Lance Fuller, Robert Allen, Wilson DeJesus, Crystal Tyson, Wanda Williams, Robert Booker, George Harris and Mary Spragley.

Security Officers George Harris and Joyce Streeter were presented with five year service awards.

Citizen Awards were presented to Mr. Bernard Holloway of the transportation unit and Mr. Joshua "Papa" Spruill, 100 year old resident at the Extended Care Facility and Security's Senior Resident of the Year.

The "Director's Award" like the "Officer of the Year Award" is unknown to the recipient prior to the program. It was presented to Security Officer Wanda Williams.

The agenda also included addresses to the Honorees from several of the law enforcement executives that were present.

A reception was held immediately

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"PRIDE"



Congratulations are in order from Assistant Director Errol Adams and Security Secretary Gwendolyn Grier to (L to R) Security Officers Wanda Williams, Cortland Williams, Mary Spragley and Gerald Petiford for awards won.

Newark Job Skill Center, located on Broadway where she earned a certificate upon graduation after completing a six month course in five.

Ms. Spragley, who does welding on a partime basis and only as a favor to friends says she gave up a promising career in welding because of the special clothing the job required as well as the cumbersome equipment she had to lug around.

She came to New Community on advice of a relative who once worked for the Corporation. She stated further, that it was a decision she has been happy with making ever since because her job as a security officer gives her an opportunity to work with her favorite people, the elderly. Also, she learns something new from them everyday because they have been where she hopes to go in life.

Indicative of her affection and respect for the seniors in her building is the fact that she spends a great deal of her off duty time visiting them. Officer Spragley, by her attitude and behavior reflects credit upon the Security department. We therefore congratulate her on her achievement.

Security Officer Mary Spragley was presented with a plaque from the Katzin's Uniform Company of Newark, co-sponsor of the program and the N.C.C. Department of Security.

## Military "Taps" 1862 Memorial Day Tribute

Researched By James E. DuBose

On Monday, May 20, 1989, our nation celebrated Memorial Day, a day that is set aside each year to honor the many brave men and women who have sacrificed their lives in war time throughout our nation's history so that we may continue to enjoy our four freedoms and prosperity.

Military installations both here and abroad in recognition will blow "Taps" in tribute on Memorial Day but few will know of its origin.

"Taps" was composed by General Daniel Butterfield, of the Army of the Potomac, while camped on a plantation overlooking the James River in Tidewater, Virginia, in July 1862. He used it in his own brigade to replace the three volleys fired at military funerals. General Butterfield devised "Taps" so that the Confederates would not be aware that a burial was taking place since the bugle call of "Taps" was considerably quieter than the sound of cannon firing.

The use of "Taps" gradually caught on, became quite popular throughout the Union Army, and by 1874 the custom appeared in the Infantry Drill regulations. In 1891, "Taps" became mandatory at military funerals.

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## Officer Of The Month

The Security Department proudly selects Security Officer Mary Spragley as its "Officer of the Month" for May 1989.

A three year veteran of the security force, Officer Spragley was selected because of her loyalty and unselfish dedication to duty.

One who has managed to maintain an excellent attendance record over the years, the Rocky Mount, North Carolina native is extremely popular with her co-workers and the tenants at N.C.C. Roseville Senior, 1 South Eighth Street alike, where she has been permanently assigned for most of her career.

Mary was a welder by profession, prior to joining the New Community Security force. She attended the

## Reflections: Two Problems Of Aging

Possibly the most intriguing part of working with the senior citizens is observing their experience in a nursing home. Their ability to cope with their infirmities, the general acceptance of their disabilities makes working for them a pleasure.

Aging in itself has so many facets to it, that, as a physician, you are constantly on challenge. If I were to pick up the main physical complaint, and the main instigator of problems, it would be the circulation.

How often is it stated: "I am cold." Difficulty in walking, numbness of the extremities etc. may herald the beginning of vascular changes. It is here in the vessels that cholesterol and time set up the problem of plaques on the inner walls of the vessels; the arteries often calcify and narrow down so that circulation is impaired. This can produce a host of signs of symptoms as coronary heart disease, strokes.

Again, the impaired circulation can cut down on oxygen to the brain and depending on what vital area it hits, memory loss, depression, fear, anxiety and regression will be the result.

The resident may come into the facility in relatively good condition; yet over a period of months and years slowly deteriorate. Some of our good health and longevity is due to heredity but such things as diet, stress, and poverty can hasten the aging process. I remember Cardinal Cushing of Boston stating at age 84, "If I knew I was going to live this long, I would have taken better care of myself."

There is a somewhat rare condition — so-called Alzheimer's Disease, the cause of which is unknown, which affects people often at a much younger age. It does make up a small per-



Dr. Paul  
Kearney

tage of the residents in a nursing home. It is much more progressive in the general deterioration of the affected individual. They lose control of reality, can't dress themselves, do not recognize their own family. They end up in a vegetative state.

The second big problem in aging is osteo-arthritis. Rheumatoid arthritis also affects the joints but it occurs in a much younger age group. In arthritis the joints become stiff and painful so that any motion of the extremities or back produces marked discomfort. The end result is uncontrollable falls and often fractures due to brittle bones.

The program in the nursing home is geared to try to prevent these falls, however some of the residents are forgetful and despite a buzzer at their bed, they will get up to go to the bathroom and fractures are the end result of their falling.

This nursing home, the New Community Extended Care Facility, like many others has a big plus. It shows an interest in the residents. They treat the residents as if they were one of their family. It is nice to behold.

Two or three years ago, a resident said to me, "I won't get any care here; I am on Medicaid." I said, "Mother look around you. There are 179 other residents all on Medicaid." She found out she was wrong.

Paul Kearney, M.D.  
Medical Director  
New Community Extended Care  
Facility

### DO YOU HAVE LIBRARY SKILLS?

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Pat Foley  
Editor

## Extended Care Facility Has Lovely Gift Shop



Sister Maryrose and Sister Jean are faithful to their volunteer work at the Extended Care Gift Shop and have many lovely items for sale as well as things for the sweet tooth.

## FOOT FACTS:

### Some Facts You Should Know About Bunions

(continued)

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#### WHAT ARE THE RISKS INVOLVED IN BUNION SURGERY?

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#### SUMMARY

Remarkable advances have been achieved in the past decade with instrumentation and space age technology improving medical and surgical procedures. Additionally, your Podiatrist can select from a wide

Dr. Kenneth  
Frank  
Podiatrist



range of sophisticated surgical and non-surgical techniques which are available thanks to advanced research and scientific study of the various foot deformities. Many of the surgical procedures described can be performed in an out-patient hospital setting. Your doctor will recommend what is best suited to your needs and your particular situation. Remember both you and your doctor are a team working toward a common goal, comfortable feet, so that you can remain active and fit in today's fast-paced lifestyle. Do not hesitate to ask your Podiatrist any questions you may have concerning your bunion problem or the various treatments he may recommend to you.

Certain bunion procedures may require you to wear a surgical shoe, wear a cast, or use crutches. Your doctor will prescribe appropriate medication to be taken, if needed, for pain. You may receive physical therapy during your postoperative care if your doctor feels it is necessary. Shoes should not be worn until you are instructed by your doctor. Your podiatrist may also prescribe custom made orthotics to increase your comfort and help to prevent a recurrence of the deformity.

#### CONCLUSION

There may be additional methods of treatment for this common foot problem. Your doctor will discuss this with you. Each doctor develops a favorite treatment, and probably has the best percentage of results with that approach. Complete cooperation between you and your doctor is essential for a satisfactory result.

\*There is a strong hereditary tendency to develop this deformity.

## Medicare/Medicaid Fraud Alert

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## At Your (Social) Service

by the Staff of NCC Social Services Department

### Meeting Of The Councils

Tuesday, May 9th, saw the meeting of at least two important groups of people. One of them was our New Community Youth Council, which serves to identify and serve the needs of local youth. The other was the City Council of Newark. The place? None other than Newark City Hall. The meeting's agenda was discussion of construction of the proposed New Community Youth Recreation Center. This recreation center has been held up for 6 years now due to lack of City government support.

The meeting turned out to be a passive one for the youth council members, none of whom were allowed to speak. Mr. Ray Codey, director of New Community Development explained thoroughly and clearly the needs for the recreation center and



Youth Council members enter City Hall to discuss progress on the NCC Youth Recreation Center.

### Elite Tops In Adult Basketball League

The New Community Adult Basketball League organized by Eladio Negron, finished its season recently with the Elite on top. It was not a cake-walk for the Elites who played the Rebels in a best of three championship series.

The series was split, each team having won one game as the two teams met for the grand finale on Wednesday, May 17th at Newton Street School. In a tough battle, the Elites



Eladio Negron (R) hands Tyress Carter the trophy for NCC Adult League M.V.P. as referee Eugene Lewis looks on.

### Oops! An Omission!

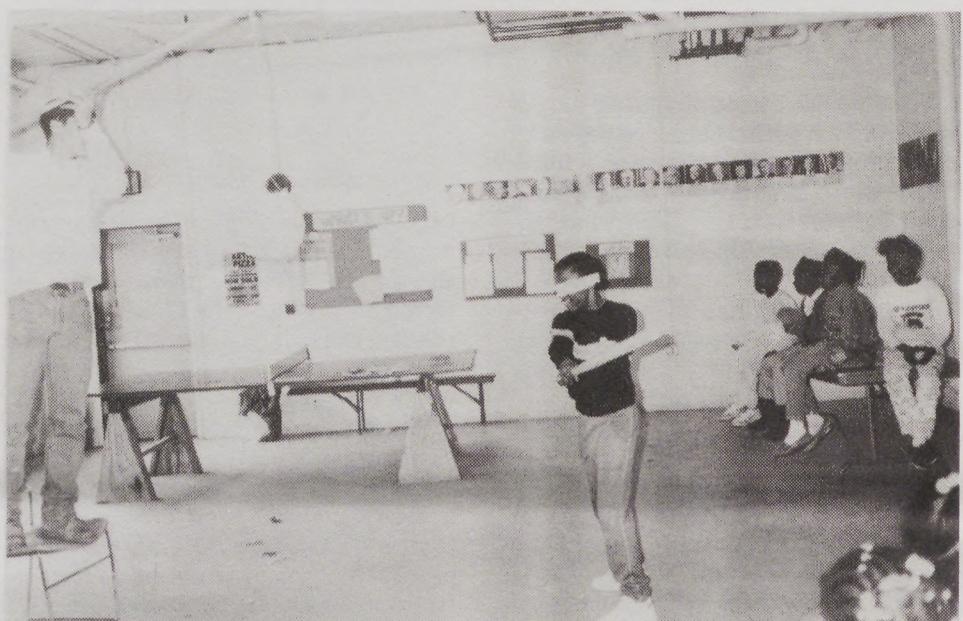
We failed to mention in last month's **Clarion** that the outstanding student, Marcus Captain, has been working so well partly because he has had much help. Mrs. Marlene Martin, Marcus' tutor, has provided Marcus with daily homework help and for her work she deserves a bit of recognition. Sorry, Mrs. Martin, we omitted mention of your work!

the purpose for having our youth and other community members present at the meeting. It was hoped that a variety of opinions would be expressed, but instead most New Community advocates sat quietly, listening to the City Council and the Business Administrator.

It was disappointing that the honorable Mayor was not present, and thus it is not known when the recreation center will ever actually get under way. The day was not a complete loss in that the young people were able to see the workings of an average day of our City Council.

If you would like to help, please write a letter to the Mayor of Newark, Honorable Sharpe James, expressing the needs for a youth recreation center. The address is 920 Broad Street, Newark, N.J. 07102.

### Books Fall From Pinatas



James Matos swings eagerly at the pinata in an effort to break into the books held inside.

Candy often falls from pinatas at fiestas and parties, but not on May 17th at the 220 Bruce Street After-School Program. Instead, books fell to the floor as blind-folded students smashed the five brightly-colored pinatas. The books were furnished in part by Reading Is Fundamental, and the whole event constituted one of five R.I.F. book distribution events that Youth Services provide to encourage youngsters to read.

"The pinatas were easy to make—just lay strips of newspaper soaked in flour and water on the surface of an

inflated balloon," said Scott Santarosa, who, with the help of Eladio Negron, created the pinatas. As the pinatas broke and the books flew in all directions, the kids erupted with excitement. Each book had a child's name in it, and after each student found his or her book, they had to tell the class their book's title and how long they thought it would take them to read the book.

It was an exciting, instructive day, and we hope that the fruits of the pinatas will nourish our youngsters' minds.



Eladio Negron and Scott Santarosa distribute a supply of free books sent to the after-school program by "The Place In the Woods" Book Co. Their company works closely with R.I.F. and educational programs to encourage reading.

### After-Schoolers Meet Artist

It was with much excitement that thirteen of the young artists in the 220 Bruce Street After-School Program rode to Jersey City that April 13th. Their destination? The Jersey City Museum located on the third floor of the Jersey City Library. They were excited because they would be meeting a real, professional artist—one whose work was displayed on every wall of one of the Museum's rooms. The artist was Linda Whitaker and the program that she, along with other artists and the Museum provide is called the "Meet the Artist" program.

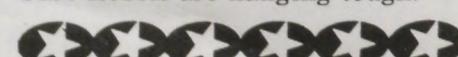
After climbing the steps to the Museum, the afterschoolers were directed to the room displaying Mrs. Whitaker's works. There they met Mrs. Whitaker, and she explained some of the works she had done while asking, too, what the children saw in her painting. The students were eager—their hands popped up as quickly as questions popped into their heads.

After discussing Mrs. Whitaker's art, the program changed its focus to the art of the youngsters. Mrs. Winifred McNeill, a Museum program coordinator, led the newly-inspired young artists to the workshop room where there were long tables and benches. Paper and crayons were then passed to the youngsters, and soon Mrs. Whitaker began the exercise: "Close your eyes and picture a big green frog. Now, without opening your eyes, draw that frog." The kids were confused, but they complied producing some very interesting images of frogs. And the workshop went on, with the students never once losing interest in the helpful instruction of Mrs. Whitaker.

More of the youngsters will be attending the next "Meet the Artist" program with a different artist. This new bit of art and culture adds a much-needed new dimension to the activities of the after-schoolers. Special thanks to Winifred McNeill and Linda Whitaker for their help.

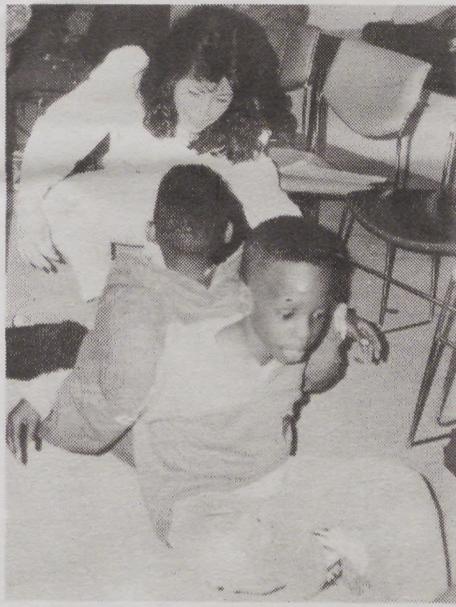
### Jr. Basketball Update

St. Joe's Eagles are in first place in the Junior Basketball league, followed by the Security Elites in second. The Home Health 76ers have third place while the Management Sonics are in fourth. Meanwhile the Social Services Wildcats & the Extended Care Rebels are hanging tough.



# After-Schoolers First Ever To Work With Peace Program

The organization is called "2020 Insight" and their goal is straight forward-to achieve world peace by the year 2020. The organization is new and is trying to build and become larger. One of its members, Mrs. Kathy Maher, teaches fourth grade at Newton Street School. Through her associations with after-school Coordinator, Scott Santarosa, she was able to arrange three workshops with children of New Community, both members and non-members of the 220 Bruce Street After School Program.



2020 member Nancy Conklin helps Al-Wahid Moses and Marcus Captain in their attempt to stand up as a team.

These workshops were the first of 2020's workings with children; our youngsters served as a "pilot" for the program.

The 2020 Insight members who conducted the workshops were Len Church, Nancy Conklin, Carol Haag, and Kathy Maher. The group formed after a seminar by Werner Erhaid and Associates, and they are hoping to bring a new way of thinking to people. They are starting with children, parents, and teachers, and eventually they hope to make the whole world realize that it is a very real possibility to have a world without war.

They feel this great accomplishment must begin with our youth and helping them to see ways of resolving conflict that don't involve fighting. Part of their strategy is to show children a fun situation that turns into a fight. They teach the kids to see the point at which fun turns to fighting, and they encourage our youngsters to yell "breakdown" just before fighting might begin. Hopefully the youngsters will then decide against crossing the boundary into fighting and instead will find a peaceful solution to their conflict. "We must start on the lowest level, with our kids and their conflicts. We want to get them thinking about peace instead of violence," said Kathy Maher.

The 2020 Insight program lasted for three consecutive Friday afternoons.

The children enjoyed the workshops, especially the button-making workshop. Hopefully kids

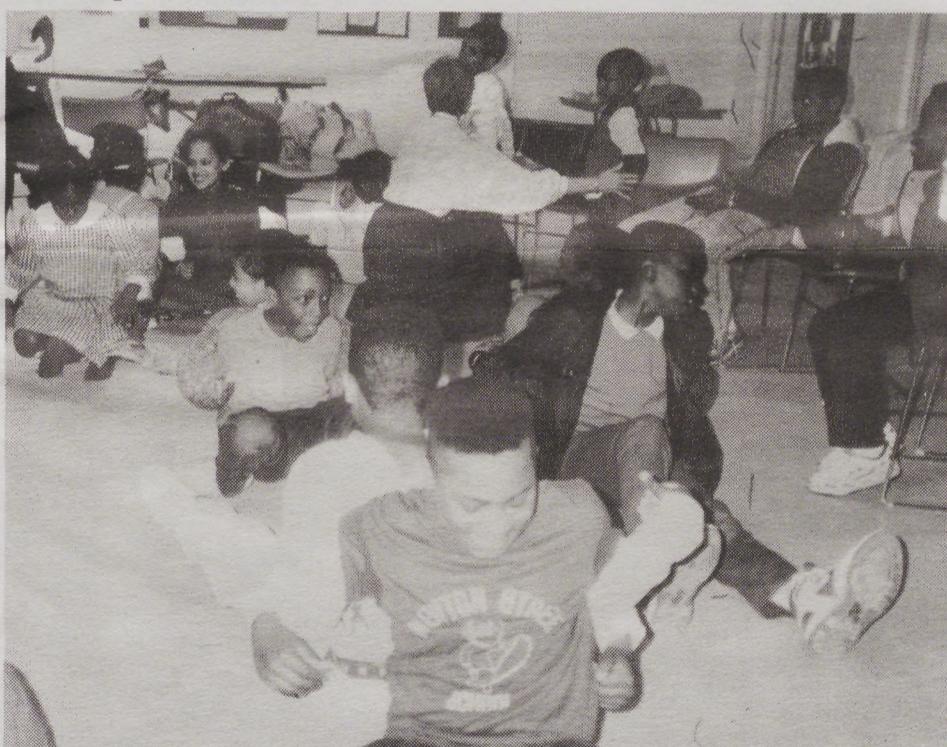
everywhere will be lucky enough to receive help from 2020 Insight in striving towards world peace.



Tarra Leslie, Chanell Brown and Hasanah Malik reenact a scenario where jumping rope turned to fighting.



2020 members Len Church and Nancy Conklin show how a discussion can turn to a fight. Later they showed peaceful ways of ending arguments.



After schoolers pair off and lock arms in an attempt to use teamwork to stand up.

## A Trip To The Circus

During storytime we traveled to the circus through books and pictures, but on May 17th, we actually took a trip to the All American Circus at Turtle Back Zoo. The pictures became a reality. I watched the kids' faces mesmerized by the clowns, tigers and elephants. Some children were excited, some were quiet as if thinking that it was wonderful to be a clown and make people laugh. Some were serious as if to say it was thrilling to be daring as the acrobats on the high

wire or spring-board.

As I watched the faces of the staff members, it seemed we were having as much fun as the kids and saying it's okay to be a "kid" again. It was a moment frozen in time, which we will remember the rest of our lives. It was a day that all the "kids" had fun.

Mary Alice Smith  
Caregiver  
Babyland II

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## Sixth Grader Is Outstanding

The student of the month for May is a sixth grader at Newton Street School, Shari Gaines. She is new to the 220 Bruce Street After-School Program, and she has brought a breath of fresh air to the activities and exercises. Mostly, she listens well and she does her homework faithfully.

"She appears to enjoy the program, and I think her enthusiasm is often contagious," said Scott Santarosa,

coordinator. "She is one of the older students we have, and the other students tend to look to her for leadership. She does not let them down, and is comfortable with that responsibility," he added.

Mrs. Williams, Shari's tutor, echoed this praise for Shari's excellent work. Mrs. Williams' consistent work with Shari has produced great results.

Keep up the great work, Shari! We are happy to have you with us.

## 90th Birthday Celebration Of Mary Boyce At Roseville



Sharing her 90th birthday are (L to R) Nellie Thomas, Marylou Kieran, Robert Pritchard, Marie Phillips, Iris Lewis and Mrs. Massenberg. Mary Boyce (center front) holds gift of flowers.

# Children's Day At St. Rose Brings Smiles



Traditionally in schools all over the country, children are rewarded for a year of serious study with a day filled only with fun and games.

St. Rose of Lima School in Newark recently held its second "Children's Day" for students and found the students' energy level sustained till the last game was played.

The day was organized by Kindergarten teacher Linda Blackwell who coordinated the whole day, assisted by the wonderful staff and parents who pitched in to help her.

Inside, the auditorium held carnival games where a basketball thrown into a hoop could win one a stuffed animal, or balls or maybe a game.

Outside, jump rope contests for all grades were held. The eighth grade team of Nadira Brown, Frances Smith, Lisa Baldwin and Kenneisha Crawford took the team championship for endurance. The seventh grade girls team of Stacy Stewart, Kenneisha McDaniel, Ellen Fadoju and Erica Harrell garnered the championship for style. Individuals who won were Dawn Cook for grades 2-4 and Kenneisha McDaniel for grades 5-8.

The street, (closed for the day) was festooned with colorful banners and flags and the sound of music was everywhere. Flying turtles raced down the street (a game of course) and hopscotch and boys basketball were all day affairs.

Food for the break before final exams was prepared by Laura Angulo and Rita Arana who worked hard to please all.

Everyone was willing to pose for pictures indicating their happy time.

